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Regional fire authority discussions continue in New Buffalo Township

BY FRANCESCA SAGALA

A proposed Red Arrow Regional Fire Authority remains in discussions in New Buffalo Township.

At the New Buffalo Township Board's Monday, Dec. 15, meeting, fire chief Jamie Flick said discussions have been occurring for the past two years between Chikaming, New Buffalo and Three Oaks townships and the City of New Buffalo.

He said Three Oaks has sent a letter "bowing out of joining the authority."

Flick said he and Chikaming Fire Chief Allen Weich feel they have "gone as far as we can go with this without board approvals" and that there are still some questions.

"I don't know how to move forward until those questions get resolved from the board," he said.

Township Supervisor Michelle Heit said the proposed budget is "costly;" however, the authority could bring them 24/7 full-time people, which would allow them to hire people who are younger and don't live in the area.

She added that their attorney brought up the possibility of an interlocal governmental agreement instead of an authority, which would be similar and its own entity, could hire fire like an authority and be "easier to get into and out of."

Treasurer Patty Iazzetto said that she understands the need to restructure the fire department due to issues recruiting paid on-call firefighters.

"I'm willing to work through the options to determine what best serves our township and the residents but at this time, I don't feel we have all the options available to evaluate this fully so we can make a decision," she said.

Assets remain a concern, with clerk Michelle Hannon saying that they "can't legally just transfer them."

Heit said the township could also hire more full-time people themselves. This would still increase the township's budget and may warrant an increase in the township's Public Safety Special Assessment although an increase may be inevitable at some point no matter what option they choose.

A joint meeting between the three municipalities at the township's Public Safety Building is tentatively scheduled for Jan. 27.

A Memorandum of Understanding with Berrien County Information Systems regarding cost sharing for computer aided dispatch and approve Year 1 payment and annual fee to Berrien County was approved.

Flick said that efforts have been made with police/fire and EMS trying to get mobile CAD into the entire county. The township's first-year payment is about $3,200, which is the amount that was allotted by county commissioners to give to each municipality; however, that amount is dependent on how many are involved.

He said the dispatch will give them directions and "real-time data while we're enroute to a call" as well as give them directions.

A resolution adopting an ordinance that amends the zoning ordinance to add food trucks as a permitted use in Regulated Uses Table in the industrial zoning district and amending the standards for food trucks to operate was adopted.

Hannon said that the amendment was necessary to make food trucks subject to a business license. Once it's licensed and has gone through a fire inspection, a food vending permit can be filled out online 48 hours before showing up at the site.

A resolution adopting an ordinance which amends the business license ordinance to require food trucks to obtain a business license and certain businesses, which would include food trucks, to obtain Knox boxes upon registration or within 12 months of renewal was adopted.

A resolution requesting that MDOT install No U-Turn and No Parking signs along U.S. Highway 12 and M-239 was adopted.

A two-year agreement with HydroCorp for $17,175 for the first year and $17,862 for the second year for residential and $4,992 for the first year and $5,191.80 for the second year for nonresidential cross connection inspections was approved.

Board members adopted a resolution stating the township's support for the Village of Grand Beach's grant application for the Michigan Coastal Management Program for beach nourishment.

Board members approved the following appointments: reappoint Traci Lauircella to the Planning Commission with a term expiring Dec. 31, 2028; reappoint Kurt Hauseman and Brad Griffith to the Corridor Improvement Authority with a term expiring Dec. 31, 2029; reappoint Rick Novecek to the Zoning Board of Appeals with a term expiring in 2028 and reappoint Mary Nykamp, Ed Carpenter and Vern Levine to the Construction Board of Appeals with terms expiring 2027.

Final approval of SLUs to operate an adult-use marijuana retail establishment were granted to the following: Upper Shelf Farms LLC at 13899 Grand Avenue and New Buffalo US12 Group LLC at 10227 W. U.S. Highway 12.

Board members approved changing the meeting dates to 5 p.m.

Heit said that the township received a $300,000 Pokagon Fund Grant for the Harbor Country Drive nonmotorized trail and they're trying to get it out to bid, with a possible completion by next summer.

Undesirable situations don't make you immediately adaptive, they reveal him to himself. — *Dino N. Fatouros*

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City Council gears up for 2026

BY THERESE DONNELLY

Per city auditors' brief overview at the New Buffalo City Council's Monday, Dec. 15, meeting, the City of New Buffalo ended the year with a healthy financial report card.

Much of the new business on the evening's agenda focused on preparing for a new year in the city.

The council approved the 2026 meeting schedule for city board and committee meetings. Mayor Vance Price asked if the council should consider changing their own meeting times to begin at 6 p.m. instead of 6:30. The council agreed to consider a change.

Jack Kennedy, Migs Murray and Tom Evans will all serve on the Board of Review, after the council approved reappointing all three members for an additional one-year term.

As part of a process to streamline the payment process, the council approved a license agreement with Service 1 Marine that will allow the company to pay the city a flat fee for use of the city boat ramp, rather than paying each time they launch a boat during the off-season.

City Manager Darwin Watson reported Service 1 generally launches 150 to 200 boats from the city ramp every spring and fall. Prior to the license agreement, the city collected payment for each launch.

In order to update the Waterfront Master Plan, the council approved submission of an application to the Michigan Coastal Management Program (MCMP). The state program provides funding and technical assistance to communities developing their coastal areas while protecting its environment.

MCMP will fund half of the $75,000 project, with the balance coming from local match funds.

The city will also submit an application to MCMP for assistance in the waterfront road design and associated engineering. The project is expected to total $150,000, with half the funds coming from an MCMP grant.

Municipalities in Berrien County have joined a Mobile Computer Aided Dispatch (MCAD) to help emergency responders more efficiently share information and respond to calls. Police Chief Rich Killips told the council the system will allow departments and dispatchers to know the exact location of vehicles, improving safety and communication.

As part of membership in the MCAD, the council approved a memorandum of understanding, outlining roles, responsibilities and expectations of the participating units of government.

The city has been exploring the possibility of merging safety coverage with neighboring municipalities. Watson said the council now needs to determine if the city will continue with the plans to merge.

New Buffalo Township Fire Chief Jamie Flick told the council that several details still need to be discussed.

The council agreed there were more conversations needed before making the decision.

Councilmember Rich Knoll recognized two city fire fighters for their years of volunteer service. Rob Gruener has been on the city department for 25 years and Dan D'Agostino for 15 years.

The council appointed Watson to the Chamber Growth Alliance advisory board.

Keeping with the United States Postal Service's guidelines, the council approved a city mailbox policy to set requirements for breakaway posts and safe placement of curbside mailboxes. Watson said the policy will ensure posts will not become obstacles or hazardous projectiles if hit by a snowplow or other vehicle.

As a measure to reduce costs, the council approved a motion to use the Berrien County Record for the official publication of city legal notices. Watson said the city will continue to post notices on its website, inside the administrative building and emails.

Two requests for bids resulted in only one proposal each. The council approved Bell Insulation's quote of $27,100 for 3-inch insulation in the street department garage ceiling but included a stipulation that the city can make another attempt to seek alternative bids.

The street department also requested approval to purchase a new hot-water pressure washer. Watson explained the current equipment is in need of replacement and is used to remove salt from the city fleet during winter months.

Only Hot and Mighty Mobile Cleaning Systems provided a quote. The council approved the $11,000 purchase.

The council also approved a $28,153.78 payment to Duneland Repair Center for repair work, including parts and labor, on a streets department truck.

The council had a second reading of a moratorium on the ordinance that requires the installation of sidewalks along commercial properties.

In his address to the council, Pokagon Fund Executive Director Dan Petersen thanked the city, township and Pine Grove Cemetery for the recent Wreaths Across America ceremony, which placed wreaths on the graves of veterans across the country, including at Pine Grove.

Watson said the expected delivery of wreath did not arrive in time and a local farm rushed to provide the 650 wreaths.

In his manager's report, Watson thanked the city staff for "an exceptional fiscal year," and recognized the streets department for their work plowing during recent snow.

"We have, probably, the best streets in southwest Michigan as you travel up and down the shoreline," he said.

Price wrapped up the meeting by congratulating head lifeguard Gavin Ales for recently completing the police academy.

The greatest wealth is to live content with little.
— Plato

Mike Mumper (right) speaks at Pine Grove Cemetery

New Buffalo American Legion Post 169 Color Guard presents the colors

Volunteers place wreaths at veterans' graves

'Wreaths Across America' honors veterans' sacrifices near and far

BY FRANCESCA SAGALA

Wreaths were placed on 668 graves of veterans at Pine Grove Cemetery for New Buffalo's first Wreaths Across America ceremony, which was held Saturday, Dec. 13.

"Remember - we're not here today to decorate graves, we're here to remember not their deaths but their lives," Mike Mumper, who organized the event with New Buffalo Township Fire Chief Jamie Flick, said.

He added that each handmade wreath is a "gift of appreciation from a grateful American."

Before they placed the wreaths on the graves, volunteers were given the following instructions: "To say that veteran's name aloud, to take a moment to thank them for their service – it's a small act that goes a long way toward keeping the memory of that veteran alive."

Wreaths Across America was started by Morrill Worcester, owner of Worcester Wreath Company of Harrington, Maine.

Per the Wreaths Across America website, Worcester Wreath "found themselves with a surplus of wreaths" toward the end of the holiday season in 1992. Remembering a boyhood experience at Arlington, Worcester with the help of Maine Senator Olympia Snowe, arranged for the surplus wreaths "to be placed at Arlington in one of the older cemetery sections that had been receiving fewer visitors each passing year." The event gained national traction in 2005, when a photo of the stones at Arlington circulated around the internet. With the help of the Civil Air Patrol and other civic organizations, wreath-laying ceremonies were held at over 150 locations around the country in 2006.

In 2007, the Worcester family, along with the support of veterans' organizations and a variety of other groups and individuals who had helped with their annual veteran's wreath ceremony in Arlington, formed the non-profit 501 (c) (3) Wreaths Across America.

By 2008, over 300 locations held wreath-laying ceremonies in every state, Puerto Rico, and 24 overseas cemeteries. That December, the United States Congress unanimously voted Dec. 13 as "Wreaths Across America Day."

"Wreaths Across America ceremonies take place in all 50 states, U.S. territories and 26 American cemeteries overseas in ensuring that we honor and remember our heroes wherever they rest," Mumper said.

Each of the "simple white markers" at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as those along the shores of Lake Michigan, is a "monument" to a hero, who had a life that ended in places such as Belleau Woods, Ohama Beach, Guadalcanal, "the frozen mountains of Chosin Reservoir, the jungles of Vietnam, the unforgiving land of Afghanistan and the deserts of Iraq."

Mumper reflected on U.S. Marine First Lieutenant Travis Manion and his sacrifice: On April 29, 2007, he was killed in action when, while searching for a suspected insurgent's house in Fallujah, Iraq, on patrol, he and fellow Marines and Iraqi Army counterparts were ambushed.

Travis "led a counterattack against the enemy forces," which allowed "every member of his patrol to survive." He was awarded a Silver Star and Bronze Star with Valor.

"The crisis we face today does not require us the kind of sacrifice that Travis Manion and so many thousands of others are called upon to make. It does, however, require us the best effort and our willingness to believe in ourselves and to believe in our capacity to perform great deeds, to believe together, with God's help, we can and will resolve the problems which we confront today and, in the future," Mumper said.

Mumper quoted Ronald Reagen: "Freedom is never more than one generation from extinction."

"Today, we show a united front of gratitude and respect across the United States of American and we remember the fallen, we honor those who serve and their families and we teach the next generation the value of freedom," he said.

Mumper thanked the volunteers, which included members of New Buffalo Middle School National Junior Honors Society, the New Buffalo American Legion Post 169 Color Guard and New Buffalo Township Board and sexton Vic Nerada, who shoveled around all the gravestones of the veterans the previous day.

He thanked The Pokagon Fund Board, which stepped up financially to ensure that enough wreaths were purchased.

"Initially, I thought we only had about 250 veterans here and when I found out we had over 600, I was shocked," he said,

Lake Michigan College awarded $650,000 MiLeap College Success Grant to ransform student support services

Lake Michigan College has been awarded a $650,000 MiLeap College Success Grant from the Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential (MiLEAP) to establish a comprehensive Student Success Center that will transform how the college supports students from enrollment through graduation.

The Student Success Center represents a strategic response to critical challenges identified through qualitative and quantitative data analysis, including needed student support experiences, and equity gaps in retention and completion rates. By centralizing support services into one coordinated, student-centered hub, the initiative will integrate academic advising, success coaching, wellness services, and basic needs insecurity supports. "This grant allows us to fundamentally reimagine how we connect students to the resources they need to succeed," said Dr. Trevor Kubatzke, Lake Michigan College President. "Too many students struggle not because they lack ability, but because they lack access to or awareness of available help, lack a clear academic or career plan, and feel disconnected from institutional resources."

The Student Success Center will address these barriers through several key components:

Integrated Support Services: Academic advisors, success coaches, and student support specialists will work collaboratively to ensure students receive personalized guidance that adapts to their individual needs.

Proactive Outreach: Rather than waiting for students to seek help, the Center will use early alert systems and data analytics to identify students who may be struggling and connect them with appropriate interventions.

Formalized Success Scoring System: A structured assessment tool will guide advising and coaching caseloads, ensuring consistent, high-quality support for all students.

Holistic Approach: Beyond academics, the Center will help students navigate wellness resources, and basic needs support, essential for success in today's educational environment.

The initiative builds on extensive research and institutional data, including student surveys, focus groups, CARE Team insights, and stop-out and retention analysis. This evidence-based approach aligns with institutional strategic pillars of Academic Excellence and Student Success and reflects strong cross-departmental collaboration and planning.

"The Student Success Center will allow us to walk alongside students from the moment they consider enrolling until the day they complete their goals," said Leslie Navarro, Associate Dean, Student Success & Well-Being and program lead for the initiative. "By bringing advising, success coaching, wellness, and basic needs support together in one place, we can respond more quickly, build stronger relationships, and remove barriers that too often derail students' progress."

Planning for the Student Success Center will begin this spring, and the college anticipates that this coordinated approach will significantly improve student engagement, planning, and success outcomes.

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Lakers dominate Wolves in high school basketball

BY STAN MADDUX

La Lumiere before a packed home crowd jumped out to a big lead and cruised to a 93-58 victory against Michigan City in boys' high school basketball on Tuesday, Dec. 9.

Devin Cleveland, a 6'3" junior transfer student from Chicago, started the scoring for the nationally ranked Lakers by driving to the rim for a lay-up.

Following another Lakers bucket, the Wolves cut the lead to one on a three-point shot from senior guard Brian Jackson.

However, the Lakers quickly extended the lead to nine points with help from three-point buckets by seniors Jonathan Sanderson, a 6'3" guard from Ann Arbor, Michigan and 6'8" forward Rivers Knight of Durham, North Carolina.

The Wolves were down by eight points before Sanderson sank another three-point shot to trigger another scoring burst that included a dunk from 7'0" center Gan Solongo, a senior transfer student from Mongolia.

Sanderson and Solongo are committed to play next season for the University of Notre Dame.

Knight has signed to play at Purdue University.

Michigan City trailing by 17 points began the second quarter with 6'5" senior Terrance McCray grabbing an offensive rebound and with his feet still off the floor slamming the ball through the rim.

Two three-point shots from Cleveland triggered another scoring streak by the Lakers that included Cleveland grabbing a missed dunk from Michigan City and taking the ball full court for a lay-up.

The Lakers led 48-25 at halftime.

La Lumiere improved to 8-0 while Michigan City dropped to 1-2.

Solongo and Cleveland finished with 18 points and 16 points respectively while Peyton Kemp, a 6'2" guard from the Detroit area, contributed 15 points for the Lakers.

Wolves Head Coach Larry Upshaw said the game against a nationally ranked opponent was a chance for his players to see how they measure up against better competition and learn what they need to work on to elevate their level of play.

"It's an experience. It's good for the kids," he said.

La Porte County resident Jack Arnett, who was among the people in the stands, said he's been to most of the Lakers games this season.

"They're really good. Fun to watch," he said.

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Slow start unexpected from Bison in boys' basketball

BY STAN MADDUX

The New Buffalo High School boys' basketball team has lost four of their first five games.

Such a start to the season was not expected from a team full of seniors, who last year made the finals in the District 4 post season tournament.

Head Coach Nate Tripp is optimistic about a quick turnaround especially once several players recently battling sickness get well.

"It's definitely not panic mode. We're going to be more than fine," he said.

The latest defeat, 75-60, came Monday at home against an excellent Victory Christian Academy team from Valparaiso, Indiana.

Tripp said he was pleased with how his team competed against a squad whose entire starting line-up consisted of players between 6'3" and 6'9" in height.

"We showed tremendous improvement," he said.

Trevor James led the Bison in scoring with 25 points while Lucas Forker and Brysun Perry each contributed 11 points and 10 points respectively.

New Buffalo lost their previous game on Dec. 12 at home to Howardsville Christian 67-66.

The Bison up by 13 points mid-way through the second quarter went into halftime with just a four-point lead.

The game remained close during the entire second half.

In the final seconds, New Buffalo had a chance to win but James missed a free throw and fouled while trying to rebound the ball.

The foul sent Howardsville Christian to the free throw line where the Eagles went ahead on the scoreboard.

There was only enough time left for New Buffalo to hurl a desperation three point shot that fell wide of the rim.

The Eagles won despite committing 33 turnovers with many of them caused by pressure the Bison defense put on the ball.

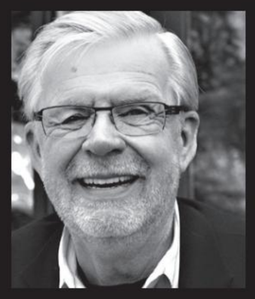
In comparison, New Buffalo committed just 11 turnovers.

Senior Sam Tripp led the team with 19 points followed by Forker with 13 points and James with 12 points.

Tripp said he plans to give his players time to get well and rested during Christmas break prior to the season resuming in early January.

"We're going to go on a fantastic run and we're going to show everybody that we are a pretty dominant team in the area," he said.

From the Bleachers



COLUMN BY KURT MARGGRAF IN CHICAGO

Those of us who are lifelong Bears fans can stop pinching ourselves now.

On Sunday, December 14, the Bears clobbered the Cleveland Browns by a final score of 31-3, showing everyone connected to the NFL that they have left years of mediocrity behind, and they have become legitimate playoff contenders.

For many years, the Bears languished at or near the bottom of the standings, and the local sportswriters and loyal fans would blame the McCaskey's, the general manager, the coach, or the quarterback, or all of them, and practically demand the team move on and hire someone new to replace whoever they blamed the most. History would repeat itself, and a new target would be hired, then fired. It was indeed a viscous cycle.

Watching the Cleveland Browns play on Sunday reminded me of the Bears of last season. All of the penalties they suffered and their lack of effort showed me that they could probably use a new coach. The team is working on their third quarterback this year, and Sunday the quarterback situation didn't look solved to me.

The owner's seemed to be lacking somewhere because they, like the Bears until this year, are continually near the bottom of the standings, and the GM needs to put together a better organization. But because the NFL is such a well run league, there's always hope.

Ryan Poles, stepped up this year and hired possibly the best coach the team has ever had.

Ben Johnson is a brilliant coach and has turned everything he touches into gold, including helping quarterback Caleb Williams overcome most of the problems he suffered through last season.

The teams owners overcame most of the city calling them miser's and showed their willingness to spend a lot of money in order to put a winning product on the field.

What have all of these positive changes resulted in? The proof is in the pudding. The Bears are back in first place in their division with a 10-4 record. They're in second place in the conference and fifth place in the league. All of this positive news is only a year removed from a terrible team that finished with a 5-12 record.

Only three games remain before the playoffs. The Bears have to play Green Bay, San Francisco, and Detroit to end the season. I believe that one win out of the three remaining games will be enough to get them into the playoffs.

All three teams are currently fighting to enter the playoffs themselves so none of the games will be easy, but I truly believe that the 2025 version of the Chicago Bears will win at least one of these games and enter the playoffs with as good a chance as any to be champions this season. We are still allowed to dream, aren't we ?

Michael Jordan said, "Some people want it to happen, some wish it would happen, others make it happen."

Be kind. Talk to you next week. Peace, love, and happiness.

The best evaluation I can make of a player is to look in his eyes and see how scared they are.
— Michael Jordan

Raiders cruise to victory after season opening loss

BY STAN MADDUX

The Red Arrow Raiders defeated Howardsville Christian 47-20 in girls' high school basketball at home Friday, Dec. 12.

The Raiders leading 14-4 started the second quarter by scoring 10 straight points beginning with a lay-up from junior Peyton Swain.

The next six points came from sophomore Addison Lynch, whose two lay-ups and 8-foot jump shot were set up by passes from junior Laney Strother.

The final bucket of the run was a 10-foot jump shot from junior Shyann Spaulding.

After a three-point bucket from the Eagles, the Raiders scored the next two buckets on lay-ups by junior Adamary Cardenas to take a 19-point lead.

Howardsville Christian scored the next two buckets, including a three-point shot at the end of the second quarter, to narrow the lead to 14 points at halftime.

The lead grew to more than 20 points mid-way through the third quarter with help from short buckets by Lynch and Spaulding and a third point shot from the baseline by Strother.

Fourth quarter highlights for the Raiders included a three-point shot from junior Emma Seifert and junior Allyson Cardenas scoring the final six points of the game.

The Raiders improved to 1-1 after opening the season with a 60-34 loss at Berrien Springs.

Head Coach Jason Alexander said his team coming ready to play after working especially hard in practice following the defeat seemed to make a difference against the Eagles.

He expects his team with a solid core of mostly sophomores and juniors to be better than last year when the squad shared the championship in their division of the Berrien Cass St. Joseph Conference with Our Lady of the Lake School.

Alexander said the goal this year is to be sole champions of their division and win at least one game in the District 4 tournament after ousted from the tournament last year with a first game loss.

"We always want to improve," he said.

He also said his players have come a long way in areas like moving the ball and finding open shooters after struggling to do so, at times, last season.

Alexander also complimented the play of Lynch from both sides of the court.

"She's one of the girls that get us going. Wherever the ball is, she's going to be there. She's a ball shark," he said.

"I'm excited about what the future holds for us. We're going to be a tough team to beat," he said.

Maeven, Charley and Ali Talbott enjoy soup

Cora Moser (right) watches as guests choose from a variety of bowls

Uriah Moore, Francesca Pawlowski and Cora Moser display some bowls

Empty Bowls fundraiser a districtwide effort

BY FRANCESCA SAGALA

Many hands throughout the New Buffalo Area Schools district were involved in the 14th annual Empty Bowls fundraiser, which was at the New Buffalo Middle/High School cafeteria Friday, Dec. 12.

"It's nice to have a collaboration from all the buildings," Ashley Jager, middle/high school art teacher, said.

For a $10 donation, guests could enjoy soup, a beverage and dessert, as well as a handmade bowl made by members of Pottery Club.

Proceeds went toward the New Buffalo Elementary School chapter of Blessings in a Backpack, which sends students home with food to get them through the weekends and holidays.

Karen Muckey-Martinez, the elementary school Spanish teacher and the student senate advisor, said that this was the first year that elementary students were involved. Senate members were serving soup, handing out water and cleaning up trays, and made flyers advertising the event.

"I want to get them out in the community more," she said.

In the past, Beth Scoggin, who, along with Amy Quick is the advisor for the high school student senate and Empty Bowl's longtime organizer, said that, in the past, high school students have been behind the event.

"It's really nice to see the students from all three buildings working together and they're excited about doing it," she said.

Soups were donated by teachers and staff in the district, who also donated desserts. Five of the crock pots of soup were made by high school students in Nicole Bowen's Foods and Nutrition Class.

Scoggin also credited Pottery Club members, who spend all year making the bowls.

This year, Uriah Moore, who's been in Pottery Club all four years of high school, said that he sculpted three bowls and glazed one.

"It's hard getting them even – it's just really hard getting the bowls to balance on each side of the rim, so I had to go through 10 bowls to make three," he said.

Senior Francesca Pawlowski, who painted the bowls, enjoys seeing the bowls' transformations.

"Seeing the way that they look so different after they've been fired, the way the glaze totally changes the color, all the sparkles and stuff is really interesting," she said.

Jager said that middle and high school students working on bowls throughout the year – in class, after school – made it possible for the event to be held two months early this year.

"Every bowl kind of had three or four kids involved - one person maybe hand pinched it or threw on the wheel, the next person would've trimmed it, decorated it, sand it, glazing…It's a nice way to give back to the community," she said.

Not just students in Pottery Club, which is open to all high school students, were part of the process. Students can participate in the bowl-making process through workshops and volunteer events. During the school's monthly Mellow Mondays, which are held during the Advisory period, students can check out the club and contribute to the effort.

"I even have kids that will come one time to see what it's like," Jager said.

She said that they use food safe glazes, so food can be eaten in the bowls. Bowls should be handwashed and not placed in a dishwasher, which can "shock" the bowls.

Jager said that Empty Bowls was founded in 1990 by a Michigan art teacher, John Hartom of Michigan Art Education Association, "with the idea to think globally about world hunger and act locally to support local food charities."

School Board members Vanessa Thun, Lisa Werner and Superintendent Adam Bowen enjoy soup

Guests could choose from a selection of handmade bowls

New Buffalo Elementary Student Senate members dish out soup

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From push mowers as a kid to century old tractors for repairman

BY STAN MADDUX

A Northwest Indiana man who repaired push mowers to sell while growing up now makes a living primarily fixing and restoring tractors from the early 1900s.

Justin Click is owner of JC Tractor Restoration and Repair, a company he started about 20 years ago at his shop in Hobart.

He and his five employees work mostly on tractors from 1910 to 1930 along with antique trucks and old semis.

His customers are from all over the nation with tractors and trucks delivered to his shop or picked up and returned personally by Click, who recently came back from California with a farm truck made by Rumely to work on.

On the bigger jobs, it's not unusual for Click to make the drive to deliver the finished product.

"I like to take it to the customer so I can go over it with them so they're happy," he said.

Rumely, famous for its gasoline powered Oil Pull Tractors and other early farm machinery, made trucks for just a couple of years.

Click said only five Rumely trucks are still known to exist.

"We work on the rarest stuff there is," he said.

His jobs range from full restorations to much less time-consuming engine tune-ups.

The 44-year-old Click, who did not grow up on a farm, appears to be naturally gifted at a craft he began honing as a young child when he earned money by fixing and selling used lawn mowers waiting to be hauled away as junk.

In his early teens, he moved up to repairing things like engines and transmissions on small, newer model tractors in the garage of his home for a local John Deere dealership.

During that period of time, he also developed a love for antique tractors he'd see on display at shows he went to on a regular basis.

In his late teens, he purchased for about $9,000 a Rumely tractor he fixed up to start his own collection that has since grown to more than a dozen pieces.

A few years later, Click said he was working at U.S. Steel in Gary when he started what was then a part-time business.

His days were spent working on antique tractors and trucks at his shop and at a tractor museum in Illinois before heading to his midnight shift job at the mill.

His business had grown enough in eight years to allow him to quit his job at the mill and work full time at his shop.

Click said he receives a higher percentage of Rumely machines to work on than any other brand.

"I don't think in the 20 years I've been doing this there hasn't been a Rumely sitting here to work on," he said.

Other brands he's worked on from the early 1900s include Aultman & Taylor, Avery, Flour City and International.

Parts for such old machines are nearly impossible to find so he makes what he can in his shop and contracts with foundries to produce the rest based on diagrams or pictures of the ones that need replacing.

Click, who's from a family of steelworkers, said he's always had a talent for fixing machinery and made century old tractors and trucks his specialty because he's fascinated by how differently the pieces then were designed.

The differences include engines having one to six cylinders, depending on the brand and model year, and some being oil cooled while others were water cooled.

"Today, everything is very similar," he said.

All of his employees with the oldest being 30 were still in school and in vocational programs when he went to where they attended to recruit applicants whenever he needed more help.

"They all wanted to do stuff like this," he said.

The semi-trucks he's worked on include 1940's Mack and Peterbilt brands.

Occasionally, he works on Allis Chalmers and John Deere tractors from the '40s, '50s and '60s as long as the owners in advance don't have a problem if the cost exceeds the value of the machines.

He said it can take a lot of hours to complete a job and he wants it done right without cutting any corners to save customers money.

"I work to a standard. So, if that's how you want it done, we're going to get along great," he said.

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Charges in brutal baseball bat attack

BY STAN MADDUX

Charges have been filed in connection with a man struck more than a dozen times in the head with a baseball bat in Michigan City.

Joshua Finai, 33, is charged in La Porte Superior Court 1 with Level 3 felony aggravated battery and Level 5 felony battery by means of a deadly weapon.

According to court documents, Finai in late October went into a home in the 200 block of Emma Street and spotted a man and woman asleep on the floor. They were fully clothed but the sight angered Finia, who had an off and on relationship with the woman, police said.

In response, police said Finai grabbed a wooden baseball bat and began striking the man in the head. At some point, the bat broke. However, Finai kept hitting the man with the broken bat until leaving after informed the police were coming, according to court documents.

The victim was in and out consciousness and lost control of his bowels from the pummeling. Police said the victim was placed into a medically induced coma at the hospital to assist in his recovery.

Finai could face anywhere from a 3 to 16-year sentence on the most serious count.

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A Writer's Life...

DURING THE GOLDEN AGE OF TELEVISION ANIMATION

BY JACK OLESKER

The worst that could happen, scriptwise.

For the next 20 minutes Mike Stokey went through futile attempts to retrieve my now-wiped-out M.A.S.K. script. After the first five minutes of his fingers racing across the computer's keyboard, Mike gently told Lisa, "You don't have to stick around. There's nothing for you to do here."

I wanted to say, "Yeah, you've already done enough..." but I restrained myself. I kept my eyes on the screen, looking down over Stoke's shoulder as Lisa slinked from the room.

As Mike typed feverishly, he reflected, almost to himself, "I work on a dedicated word processor. This is a computer so I'm not a hundred percent familiar with how it works." When I asked what the difference was, he answered, "Different machines, different operating systems." I was sorry I asked.

After almost half an hour, he surrendered, pushing back from the computer with the diagnosis and the prognosis: my script had been wiped out and it was irretrievable. There didn't seem to be anything from me to say except, "Thanks, Stoke..."

He popped my floppy from the computer's slot and handed it to me with a grim, "Sorry, Jacky." It would take years before I'd realize how brilliant a writer Mike Stokeywas in his own right, and that, as such, he could truly empathize with me. But for now his "Sorry, Jacky" was at least a little comforting.

Far less comforting would be the meeting I was heading to with Lori Crawford.

With my stomach doing flip flops and my knees weak, I staggered to Lori's office with the useless floppy disc. Lori looked up from a script she was reading and asked, "What's up?"

I lowered miserably into a chair and answered, "More like what's down." She waited and I explained, "Me... for a mandatory eight-count." When she continued to wait I held up my floppy with "This used to be my fourth M.A.S.K. script." I explained DIC's computer formatted my floppy, and now my script was gone; wiped out. I left out Lisa's involvement. There was no point to bringing her into this.

Making things worse was that a M.A.S.K. script was different from a script for The Littles or Care Bears. Those were softer series, with pages of short dialog. M.A.S.K. was filled with page after page of long, complicated action scenes. I knew replicating it would be a nightmare.

"Thirty-two pages gone!" I groaned. "I don't know how I'll get it back."

Instead of Lori telling me how sorry she was for me, she said, "Well, you're not going to get it back sitting in my office."

This caught me off-guard, like a mule-kick to my gut. Lori saw this and said, "You've got 32 pages to rewrite and very little time to do it in. If you sit here with me wiping your nose it's that much less time you have."

Taken aback, I said, "I don't need anyone to wipe my nose."

She answered, "Good. Then this meeting's over." She returned to the script she was working on. Stunned by our exchange, I started to leave to try and rewrite a 32 page script overnight. As I was walking out, she said, "I may not always tell you what you want to hear, but I'll always tell you what you need to know."

Evenly, and without meaning it, I said, "Thanks", then left.

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ARIES MARCH 21—APRIL 19

The energy coming your way this week is all about teaching, contributing and sharing ideas with people. Get more involved and invested with group efforts. You will be heard and understood if you have already made the effort to served the greater good, before you try to take a seat at the adult table.

TAURUS APRIL 20—MAY 20

Participation is required this week. It is important to get fully submersed in the holiday merriment now. Gather with family and friends. Forget about the presents. It's about getting together and supporting the liveliness of the party. Celebrate the fact that you have people to gather with no matter the distance.

GEMINI MAY 21—JUNE 21

When projects get heavy and interactions with coworkers feel heated, step back and let the mood lighten before engaging further. There is a lot of good energy coming flowing and it can get out of hand if you don't honor one anothers perspectives. Hard work may be necessary now but the results will be long lasting.

CANCER JUNE 22—JULY 22

This is the time to put more effort into running your daily life more efficiently. Whether it is following a tighter budget or maintaining a proper work out schedule, do it. Make a more concerted effort to get things in order and projects that require hard work completed. Strike while the iron is hot.

LEO JULY 23—AUGUST 22

This week it is important to let children and those with less experience be more involved in your projects and important issues. Their perspective will breathe fresh air into areas of your life that may have become stagnant or in need of rearranging. Try not to be over protective of finances or taboo subjects.

VIRGO AUGUST 23—SEPTEMBER 22

There is a fair amount of emotional labor that is required this week. Don't shy away from difficult conversations or giving more of your time to your partners demands. The sacrifices you make now will bring you and your partner greater success in the future. Stay close and keep moving forward together.

LIBRA SEPTEMBER 23—OCTOBER 22

It's important to understand you are part of something now and your deeper involvement is required. This is the time to share your expertise or know how. Get more involved by giving advice when you see it is needed. You are part of a team and your input is very necessary at this time.

SCORPIO OCTOBER 23—NOVEMBER 21

This is the time to put your money where you heart is. Invest in the things that are important and don't waste resources on frivolous things. The energy from the stars is boosting your ability to create long term wealth and happiness so, put in the extra energy and time and the universe will reciprocate.

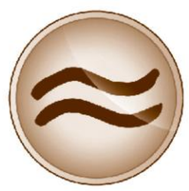
SAGITTARIUS NOVEMBER 22—DECEMBER 21

It is time to put in a little more effort and self exertion into the equation with family and domestic chores. The energy this week is all putting in the hard work to create a cozier and safer place for your future generations. Don't hesitate to go that extra mile now because it will pay off in the long run.

CAPRICORN DECEMBER 22—JANUARY 19

It may feel like you have to surrender some part of your argument or position in order to keep the peace with siblings or neighbors, but actually it's about surrendering the need to win or the need to be accepted without reproach. The best approach is to stay low key and not get overly attached.

AQUARIUS JANUARY 20—FEBRUARY 18



Even though you generally maintain an elusive quality and don't like to be pinned down, this week your attention and participation is needed. There is a lot you can contribute now and your investment into a group project will create a lot of future wealth for all concerned and even more personal respect for you.

PISCES FEBRUARY 19—MARCH 20

Take command of chores and responsibilities this week. Keep up with obligations and make an extra effort to keep promises now. By staying on top of things you will open a flow of energy that will propel you towards even greater opportunity. Don't quit even if it seems like a lot, the stars are on your side now.

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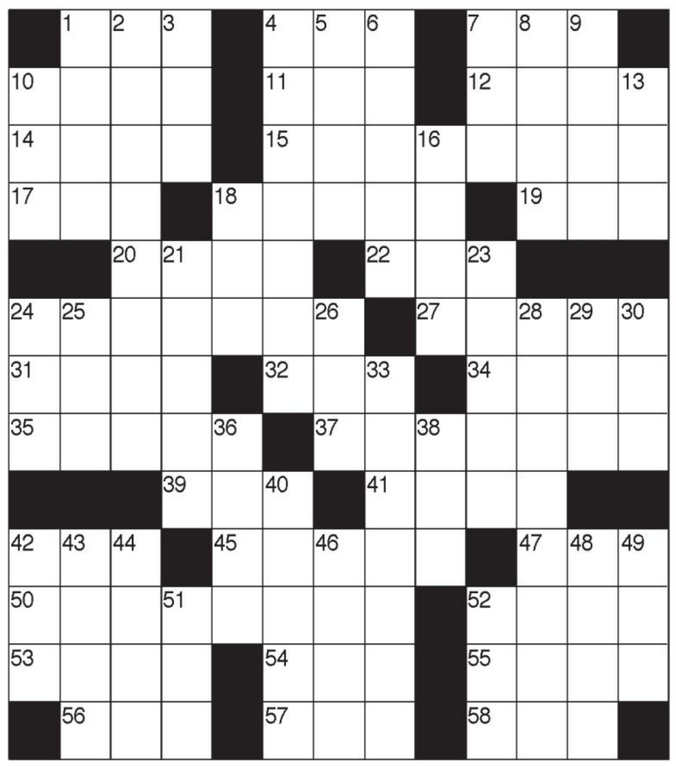

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Dean Roland Joseph DeVries

1951-2025

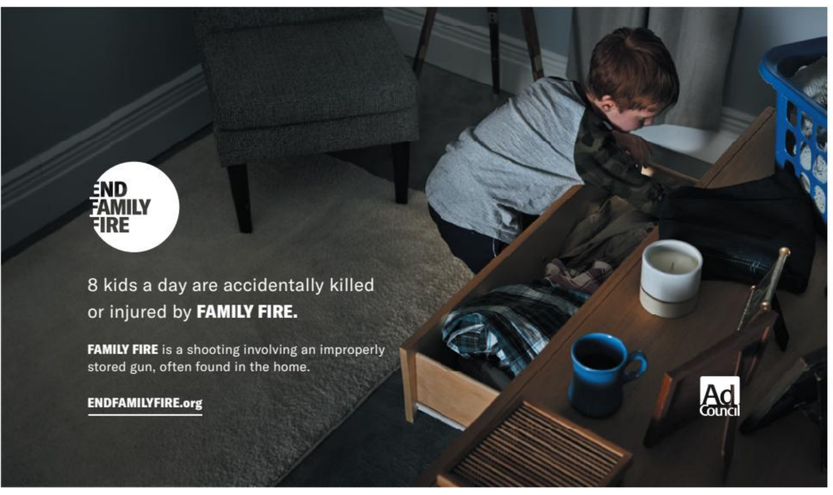
Dean Roland Joseph DeVries, 74, of Niles, MI, passed away on Thursday – December 11, 2025. Arrangements have been entrusted to Sommerfeld Chapel – 15 N. Barton St., New Buffalo, MI.

Dean was born on February 21, 1951 in Chicago, IL, to the late Eugene and Virginia (Castiglia) DeVries.

Dean was retired from the St. Joseph Public Library as a computer engineer for 14 years (2002-2016) in South Bend, IN. He also previously owned Dean's Auto Sales in South Bend. Dean had a passion for racing. He enjoyed motorcycles, race cars and classic automobiles. Dean was particularly proud of his fully restored 1967 Chevy Nova he named Novocaine. He will be missed by friends and especially his family.

Dean is survived by his wife Dina in Niles; two daughters of a previous marriage – Heather Cassidy of St. Joseph, MI and Tracy (Robert) Amid of Zeeland, MI; four grandchildren; and sisters – Ellen (Tom) Diener of St. Joseph, MI and Sandy (Paul) Drescher of IN.

Mass of Christian Burial will take place on Thursday – December 18, 11:00am, at St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church, 718 W. Buffalo St., New Buffalo, MI 49117. Visitation precedes the service from 9:30am-10:30am at Sommerfeld Chapel in New Buffalo. Burial follows the service at Pine Grove Cemetery.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MSG that we find on store shelves is processed. Due to this kind of processing, it can cause many adverse reactions, including skin rashes, itching, hives, nausea, vomiting, migraine headaches, asthma, heart irregularities, nervous system disorders depression, anxiety, brain fog and even seizures. It has been confirmed to cause obesityand liver disease. Here are some other symptoms that have been well documented. Numbness in the back of the neck, radiating to the arms and back,

tingling, warmth and weakness in the face, temples, upper back, neck and arms

facial pressure or tightness, chest pain, nausea, rapid heartbeat, giddiness and more.

MSG affects nearly everyone because it causes a spike in glutamic acid, which is used throughout the body as a neurotransmitter. The hair cells of the ear use glutamate as a neurotransmitter, so over stimulation of these cells can result in ringing in the ears (also tinnitus or vertigo).

MSG is known to cross the blood brain barrier and candamage brain cells, especially in infants. Research has also shown that MSG can cause hormone and fertility disruptions.

Most fast foods and packaged foods contain enough MSG to cause some type of reaction in almost everyone.

The western medical world treats symptoms, not the root cause of most problems. So instead of telling you to check your labels and try ridding MSG, you will most likely be prescribed a drug for the chronic headaches, anxiety, irregular heartbeat etc.

It is to your health advantage to get this reactive chemical out of your diet. Due to its highly addicting nature, it can be difficult, but you are worth it.

Disclaimer: Everything here is for nutritional education and is not meant to diagnose, treat prevent or cure. See your doctor when you have questions.

PET OF THE WEEK

ZOEY

Zoey will love you, plain and simple. She is about four-years-old, spayed, and vaccinated. Zoey enjoys daily walks, car rides, and a healthy diet. Her house manners are perfect, as she knows all the basic commands. Zoeys enjoys her chew toys, and is great along other dogs. Zoey would do best around a calm house, within children over 10. She is a cuddle, and loves her crate. Make zoey part of your home today.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

VILLAGE OF GRAND BEACH MICHIGAN

The Village of Grand Beach is looking to fill a full-time position in our Water/ Streets Department.

Applicants must have a valid driver's license and be available to work Monday-Friday, 7am-3pm EST. Full health/retirement benefits. Competitive pay based on experience.

Application and job information is posted on our website, www.grandbeach.org.

Please submit resumes to Village of Grand Beach 48200 Perkins Blvd Grand Beach, MI 49117, or email to clerk@grandbeach.org

KIMBERLY WOLNIK
CLERK-TREASURER

COL's founders Steve and Jean Smith, Jeanie Van Nice and the late Peter Van Nice

Chikaming Open Lands acquires 'Founders Preserve'

Chikaming Open Lands (COL) is pleased to announce the successful completion of fundraising and the acquisition of the Founders Preserve on Three Oaks Road in Chikaming Township, which permanently protects 87 acres for wildlife habitat conservation, recreational use and environmental education.

The protection of this property was made possible by the generosity of more than 200 donors, including vital support from foundations and the community. Together, they raised more than $1.2 million to acquire and steward this desirable property in less than a year. A key driver of the campaign's success was a $250,000 challenge grant from The Carls Foundation, which inspired additional giving and accelerated momentum toward the finish line. COL was also able to commit grant funds previously received from The Pokagon Fund through the Partners in Conservation Program.

"Every gift, large and small, played a role in making this preserve a reality." said Ryan Postema, executive director of Chikaming Open Lands. "Conservation truly is only possible because people in our community choose to invest in protecting the land they love."

The Preserve honors COL's four founders - Steve Smith, Jean Smith, Jeanie Van Nice, and the late Peter Van Nice - whose early vision helped shape the future of land protection in the area. Since its founding in 1999, COL has protected nearly 2,500 acres across Berrien County.

"The addition of his beautiful land to the impressive roster of COL preserves is a gift to our members, local residents and the vibrancy of our natural world," said Jeanie Van Nice. "I am deeply honored that it will be dedicated to Peter, Jean Steve and myself."

The newly protected property features a diverse mix of forests, wetlands, and fallow farmland, providing important wildlife habitat and opportunities for restoration. COL's plans for the property over the next year include developing a management plan to guide the use of the property; providing public access, with a parking area and hiking trails to be constructed; and beginning habitat restoration and enhancement projects.

As plans are implemented, COL looks forward to welcoming the community to Founders Preserve through guided hikes, volunteer stewardship days, and educational programs. To stay informed about upcoming opportunities and project updates, follow Chikaming Open Lands on Facebook and Instagram, or sign up for our weekly e-newsletter. — STAFF REPORTS

Dunes Arts Foundation to present 'A Season of Spirits: Christmas Ghost Tales Old & New'

This holiday season, enter a world where candlelight flickers, snow quiets the night — and something unseen and uncanny lurks just beyond the bright holiday lights.

Dunes Arts Foundation is perversely pleased to present "A Season of Spirits: Christmas Ghost Tales Old & New," a captivating celebration of the long-standing Victorian tradition of sharing ghost stories at Christmas. Blending beloved classics with modern ghost stories, audiences are invited to gather close and listen to eerie tales in which the line between the season and the supernatural blurs. This chilling one night-only storytelling reading will take place at 7 p.m. CST/6 p.m. EST Saturday, Dec. 20, at Holdcraft Performing Arts Center, 1200 Spring Street, Michigan City, Indiana. Recommended for ages 8 and up, admission is pay-what-you-can with a suggested donation of $5 and refreshments will be available.

The evening will feature a rich selection of classic and contemporary ghost stories. Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" warmly ties the holiday season to the supernatural, while H.G. Wells' "A Beautiful Suit" examines the tension between outward beauty and life's deeper truths. As M.R. James' "An Evening's Entertainment" draws on dark pagan traditions to deliver one of his most unsettling tales, Dinah Mulock Craik's "The Last House on C Street" unfolds inside a mysterious, atmospheric home where a woman's long-buried secret slowly comes to light. The lineup also includes Jeanette Winterson's "Dark Christmas," a reflective meditation on the emotional ghosts that continue to shape our present lives.

Readings will be performed by Dunes Artistic Director Steve Scott, joined by regional actors Danielle Bilderback, Michael Lasswell, Bill Lindblom, and Morgan McCabe.

"A Season of Spirits: Christmas Ghost Tales Old & New" invites audiences to rediscover why ghosts have always felt at home during the holidays: because winter hearts crave mystery as much as merriment. — STAFF REPORTS

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